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SUBJ: GHANAIAN EXERCISE

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- 1. GHANAIAN UNEF UNITS RESPONSIBLE FOR SFM PERIMETER SECURITY HELD THEIR INTRUDER EXERCISE AS SCHEDULED JULY 29 BETWEEN 0430 AND 0615.
- 2. GHANAIANS PUT ABOUT TEN MEN FROM PLATOON IN SUPPORT OF SOUTHWEST OP, BROUGHT UP ABOUT EIGHT OTHERS FROM CHECKPOINT BRAVO IN 15 MINUTES, AND THEN ABOUT 42 OTHERS FROM CHECKPOINT GOLF IN 45 MINUTES (WITHOUT ADVANCE WARNING). ALL MOVEMENTS EASILY FOLLOWED BY SFM TV ON SOUTHWEST TOWER. E-FIELD FENCE ALSO FUNCTIONED WELL.
- 3. MAJOR GHANAIAN SHORTCOMING WAS COMMUNICATIONS. THEY HAD UN FIELD TELEPHONE LINK FROM OPS TO PLATOON AND PLATOON TO COMPANY AT BRAVO. BUT THEIR ONLY OTHER COMMUNICATIONS LINK WAS FROM CO'S ONE JEEP TO COMPANY HQ AT BRAVO, AND THIS WAS VERY WEAK. GHANAIANS RELIED PRIMARILY ON WALKIE-TALKIES BORROWED FROM LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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SFM FOR FIELD COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN UNITS AND BETWEEN UNITS AND OPS OR HQS. THEY WILL ASK UNEF FOR MORE EQUIPMENT.

4. GHANAIANS MARCHED OFF SINGING "WAR BUSINESS IS BAD BUSINESS," BUT THEY WERE ABLE TO CONCENTRATE USEFUL NUMBER MEN IN REASONABLE TIME. EXERCISE WILL BE REPEATED EACH MONTH AS PLATOONS SHIFT THROUGH THEIR SFM PERIMETER LOCATION.

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